

ST. MARY'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF  
RECREATION AND PARKS

*Arthur Shepherd, Director*



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June 18, 2019

Ms. Margaret Lashar  
Administrator  
Program Open Space  
Land Acquisition and Planning  
Department of Natural Resources  
580 Taylor Avenue, E-4  
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Ms. Lasher:

Attached please find one (1) original and one copy of the Fiscal Year 2020 Program Open Space Annual Program as follows:

Acquisition Project

None

Development Project(s)

Dorsey Park Playground  
Lexington Manor Passive Park  
Athletic Fields Improvements (Chaptico Park)

Please feel free to contact me at (301) 475-4200 ext. 71812 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Arthur Shepherd  
Director

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Debbie Herr Cornwell, PLA, ASLA  
Resource Conservation Planner  
Maryland Department of Planning  
301 West Preston Street, Suite 1101  
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Ms. Cornwell:

Attached please find one copy of the Fiscal Year 2020 Program Open Space Annual Program as follows:

1. Dorsey Park Playground
2. Lexington Manor Passive Park
3. Athletic Fields Improvements (Chaptico Park)

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (301) 475-4200, Extension 71812.

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Attachment

# **St. Mary's County**



## **Annual Program for Proposed Program Open Space Acquisition and Development Projects Fiscal Year 2020**

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# **St. Mary's County**

## **Program Open Space Annual Program**

### **INTRODUCTION**

St. Mary's County's Fiscal Year 2020 Annual Program includes three development projects as follows:

1. Funding to assist with the cost of playground equipment, fencing and rubber safety surface at Dorsey Park Playground, and
2. Funding to assist with the cost of improvements to the Lexington Manor Passive Park, and
3. Funding to assist with the renovation of athletic fields; installation of a well and irrigation; lighting at Chaptico Park

No acquisition projects are proposed at this time; however, if opportunities arise the Annual Program will be amended to include projects that are consistent with the approved Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan (LPPRP) such as: trail related acquisitions, museum related acquisitions, Wicomico Shores Public Landing acquisition and for any other relevant projects.

The projects proposed in Fiscal Year 2020 are all consistent with goals identified in the County's Comprehensive Plan and the LPPRP. All are also included in the County's FY2020 capital budget program. The process used to select the projects included:

- Staff review and recommendation to the Recreation and Parks Citizen Advisory Board.
- Recreation and Parks Board adoption and recommendation to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County.
- Planning Commission review and recommendation to the Commissioners of St. Mary's County.
- Commissioners of St. Mary's County adoption.

## FISCAL YEAR 2020

April 1, 1996

## St. Mary's County POS Annual Program

### Development Project(s) Description

#### 1. Playground Equipment (Replacement) – Dorsey Park

The County is proposing to utilize \$300,000 in Fiscal Year 2020 Program Open Space – Local funds to assist with the purchase and installation of playground equipment at Dorsey Park located at 24275 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown, Maryland. The existing playground is twenty years old and has outlived its useful life. The playground will be made of metal and plastic materials. This project will also include fencing (for safety) and rubber safety surfacing to enhance ADA accessibility. The estimated cost of the playground equipment, fencing and safety surfacing is \$333,335 and will consist of County and Program Open Space – Local funds.

The project is consistent with the 2017 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan in Goal #4: Continue to operate, maintain, and improve existing County parks, recreation facilities, museums, and open spaces in an efficient and cost effective manner for the benefit of residents and visitors.

The project is also in compliance with the County's Comprehensive Plan Section 10.2.2.D. Create new and enhanced facilities to provide recreational opportunities while preserving environmental, aesthetic, and cultural quality (page 10-5).

#### 2. Lexington Manor Passive Park

The County is proposing to utilize \$600,000 in Fiscal Year 2020 Program Open Space – Local funds to assist with the renovation and upgrade of Lexington Manor Passive Park, located at 21675 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park, Maryland.

The project is proposed to include an asphalt street project, lighting and a public restroom with pavilion. Once completed, this passive park will attract informal activities such as walking, jogging, biking, and disc golf. With ample open space, it has and will support organized events such as community festivals and art shows. The estimated cost of the renovation and upgrade is \$950,000 and will consist of County and Program Open Space – Local funds.

The project is consistent with the 2017 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan in Goal #3: ***Repair and enhance the trails/old streets in the Lancaster Park south and north parcels (Old "Flat Tops" housing area) for hiking, biking, walking, and roller blading and for Arts in the Parks events.***

The project is also in compliance with the County's Comprehensive Plan Section 10.2.2.D. Create new and enhanced facilities to provide recreational opportunities while preserving environmental, aesthetic, and cultural quality (page 10-5).

### **3. Chaptico Park – Multi-Sport Athletic Fields Improvements**

The County is proposing to utilize \$495,000 in Fiscal Year 2020 Program Open Space – Local funds to assist with the renovation of (4) multi-sport fields at Chaptico Park, located at 26600 Budd's Creek Road, Mechanicsville, MD 20659. This project includes a well and irrigation system for the four (4) fields and athletic field lighting for one (1) field. The estimated cost of the improvements is \$550,000 and will consist of County and Program Open Space – Local funds.

**The project is consistent with the 2017 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan in Goal #4: Continue to operate, maintain, and improve existing County parks, recreation facilities, museums, and open spaces in an efficient and cost effective manner for the benefit of residents and visitors, by providing opportunities for additional team play and tournaments.**

The project is also in compliance with the County's Comprehensive Plan Section 10.2.2.D. Create new and enhanced facilities to provide recreational opportunities while preserving environmental, aesthetic, and cultural quality (page 10-5).



PROGRAM OPEN SPACE  
ANNUAL PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT

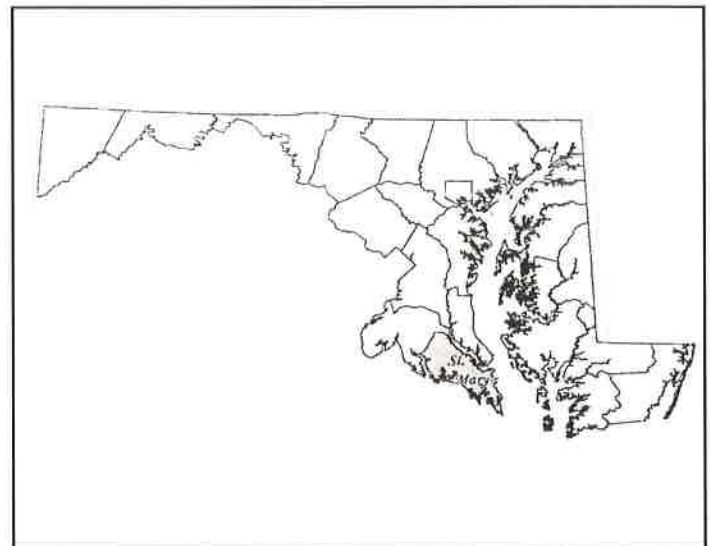
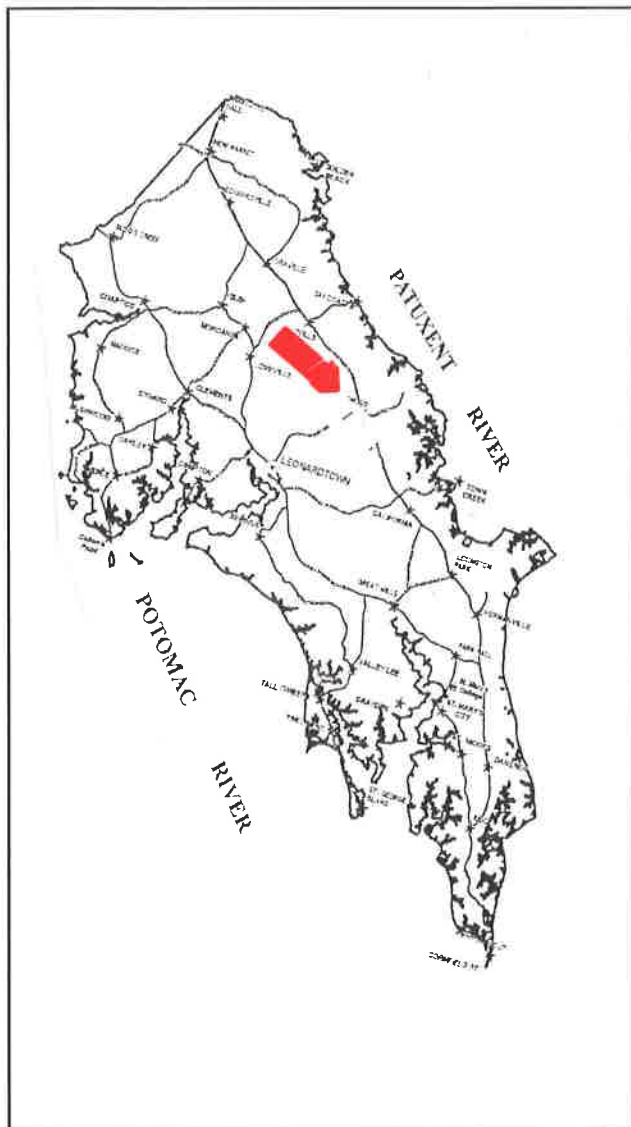
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Sponsor	Project Name, Project Description (Project Description Attached)	Acreage			Source of Funds (for Annual Program Only)			
		Existing	Ultimate	Project	Total	Local County	State POS (Local Funds)	Other
St. Mary's County	Dorsey Park Playground	77	N/A	N/A	\$333,335	\$33,335	\$300,000	
St. Mary's County	Lexington Manor Passive Park	34	N/A	N/A	\$950,000	\$350,000	\$600,000	
St. Mary's County	Chapico Park - Athletic Fields (Improvements)	250	N/A	N/A	\$550,000	\$55,000	\$495,000	

April 1, 1996

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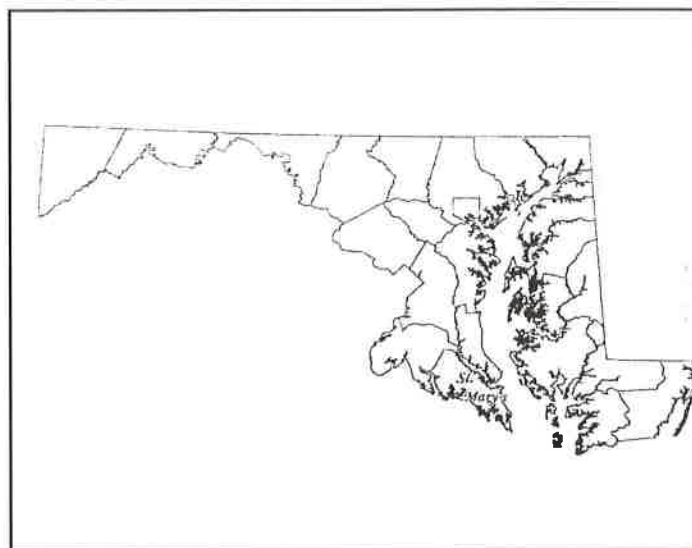
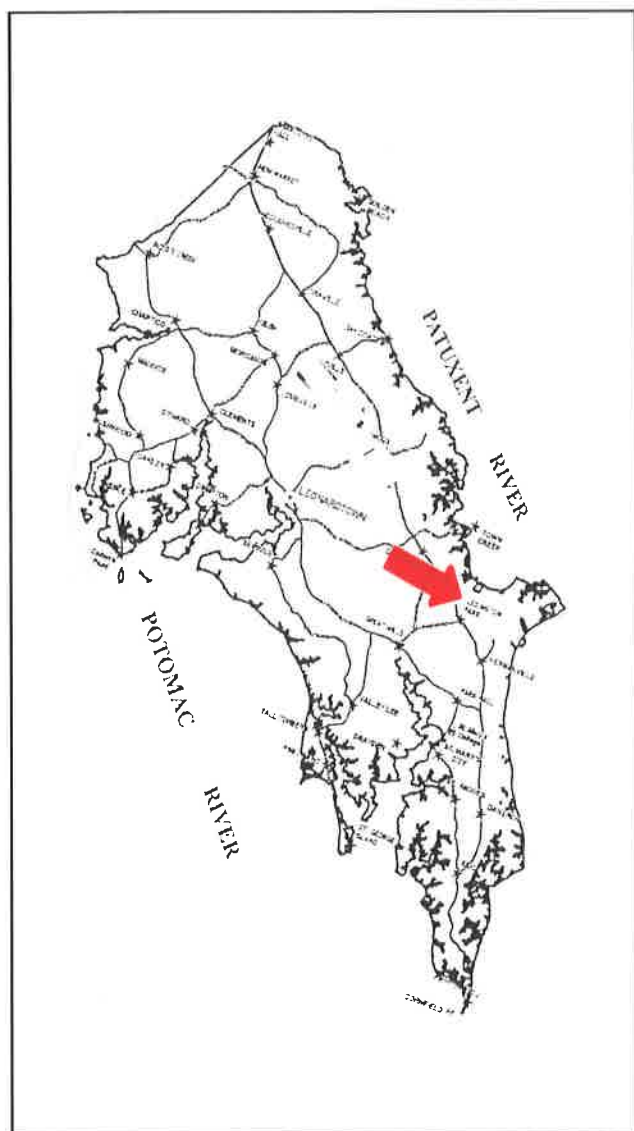
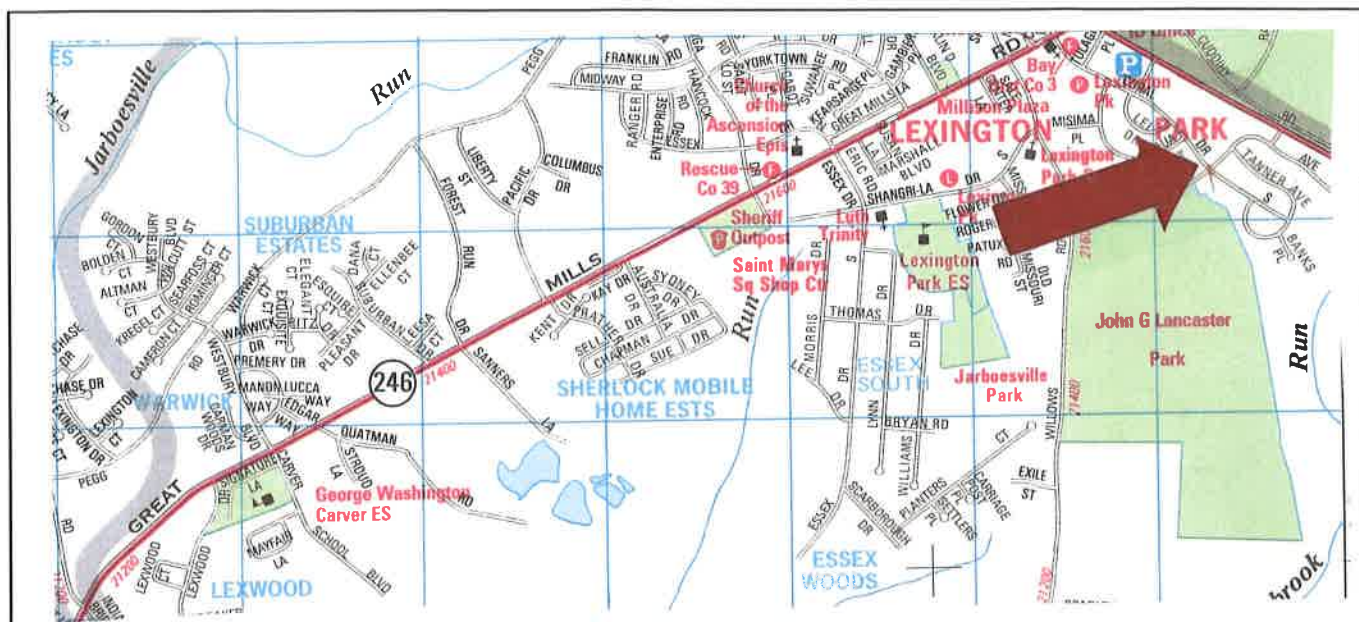
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3. Chaptico Park - Athletic Fields Improvements



#### Program Open Space

Project: Replacement Playground - Dorsey Park

Applicant: St. Mary's County

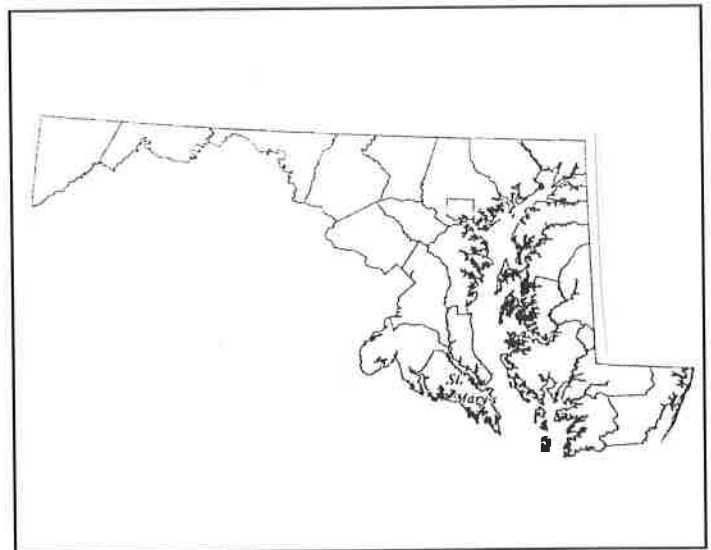
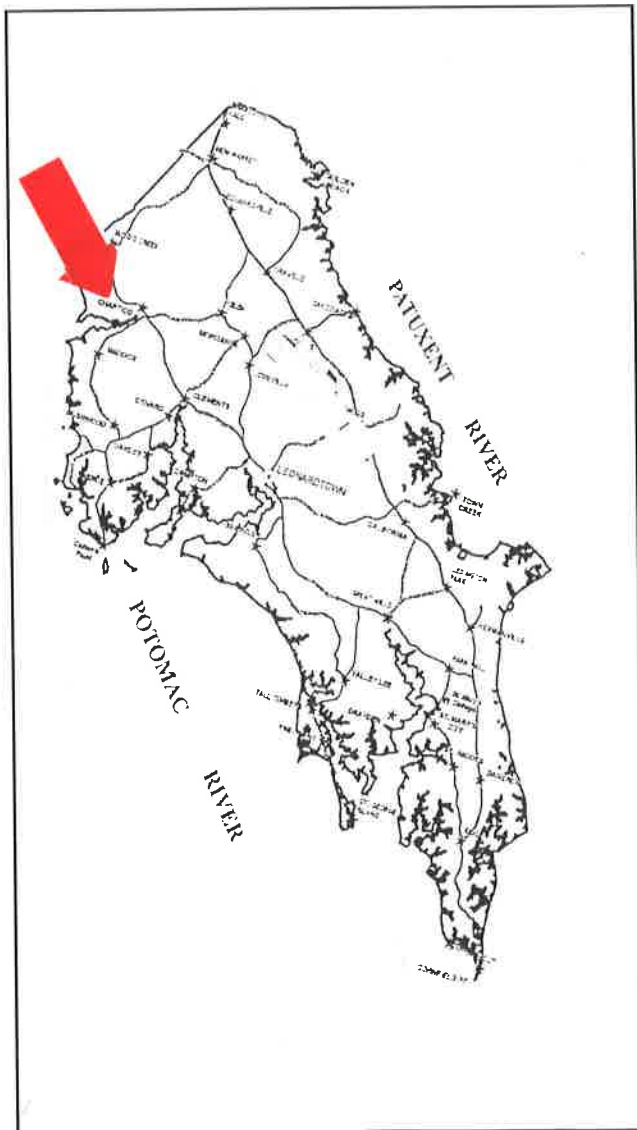
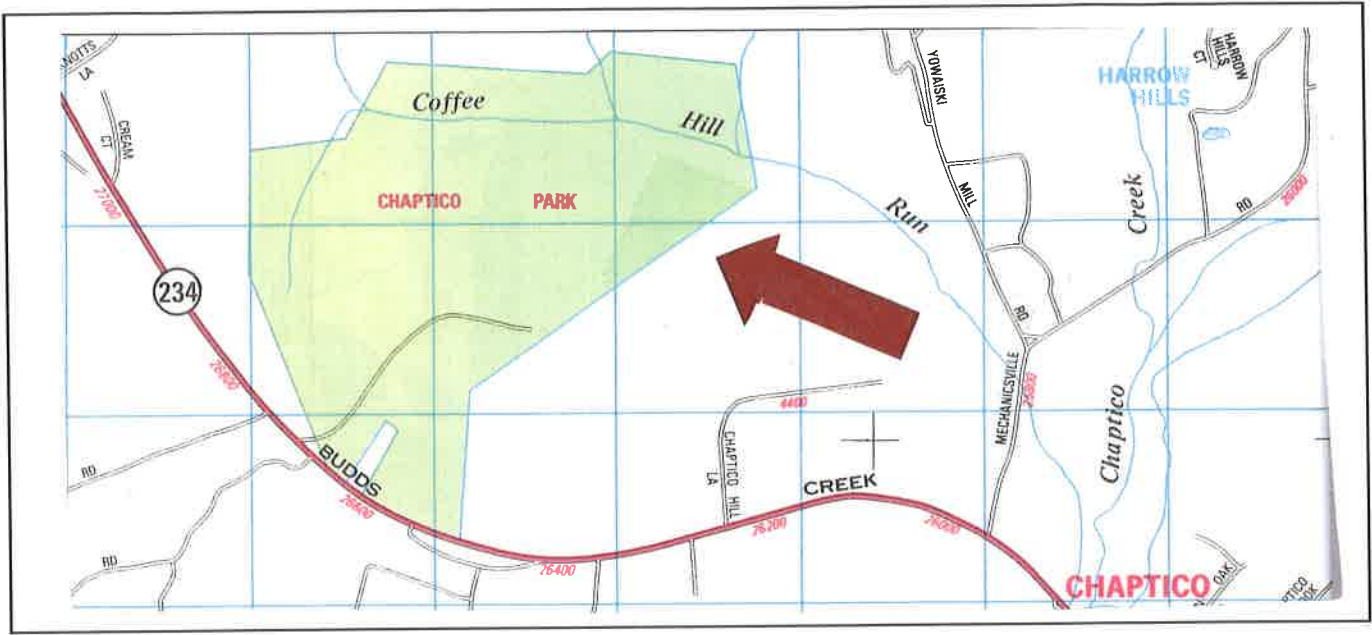


## Program Open Space

Project: Lexington Manor Passive Park

Applicant: St. Mary's County





#### Program Open Space

Project: Athletic Fields Improvements -  
Chaptico Park

Applicant: St. Mary's County

**Maryland Department of Natural Resources  
Program Open Space**

**Funding Authorization Form**

June 18, 2019

Program Open Space Grants  
Department of Natural Resources  
Tawes State Office Building, E-4  
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RE: Dorsey Park Playground - Replacement

As the official designated by St. Mary's County for the purpose of dispensing the  
Specify County or Baltimore City

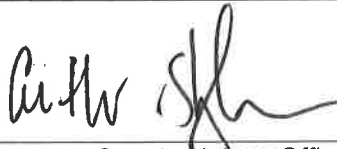
Program Open Space apportionments for this political subdivision, I hereby certify that

St. Mary's County

(Applicant)

may apply for the following funds on the above referenced project.

Name of Grant Program	Amount
Program Open Space	\$300,000
Land and Water Conservation Fund	\$
Other – County	\$33,335
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$333,335</b>



Signature – County Liaison Officer

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Type Name of County Liaison

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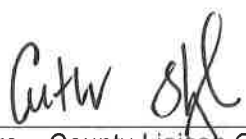
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Program Open Space	\$600,000
Land and Water Conservation Fund	\$
Other – County funds	\$350,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$950,000</b>

  
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RE: Multi-Purpose Athletic Field Improvements – Chaptico Park

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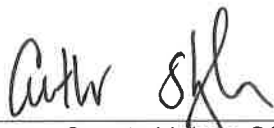
Program Open Space apportionments for this political subdivision, I hereby certify that

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may apply for the following funds on the above referenced project.

Name of Grant Program	Amount
Program Open Space	\$495,000
Land and Water Conservation Fund	\$
Other – County funds	\$55,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$550,000</b>



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